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MORGANTON HIGH SCHOOL

Morganton, North Carolina

Volume XIII



Theme

*We are putting it down in Black and White.
We are trying to project all that is Morganton
High School into our book.*

*We present to you our 1956 Cat's Tale with
its*

Silhouettes of Morganton Hi



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Foreword

Sometimes, looking over this year at M.H.S., we remember these isolated pictures of everyday things . . .

Dragging ourselves up the end stairs, suede loafers, Ivy League khakis, sitting on the steps at lunch time, pep meetings, detention hall, senior rings . . . to all of us these things spell out "Morganton High School."

We, the staff of '56 would like to think we have helped make this year unforgettable by putting down in black and white a small part of the good times, laughter, tears, and work we have shared together here this year. We hope that in years to come as you look back over this yearbook, you will still be saying, "No matter where I choose to roam, you will always be my home."

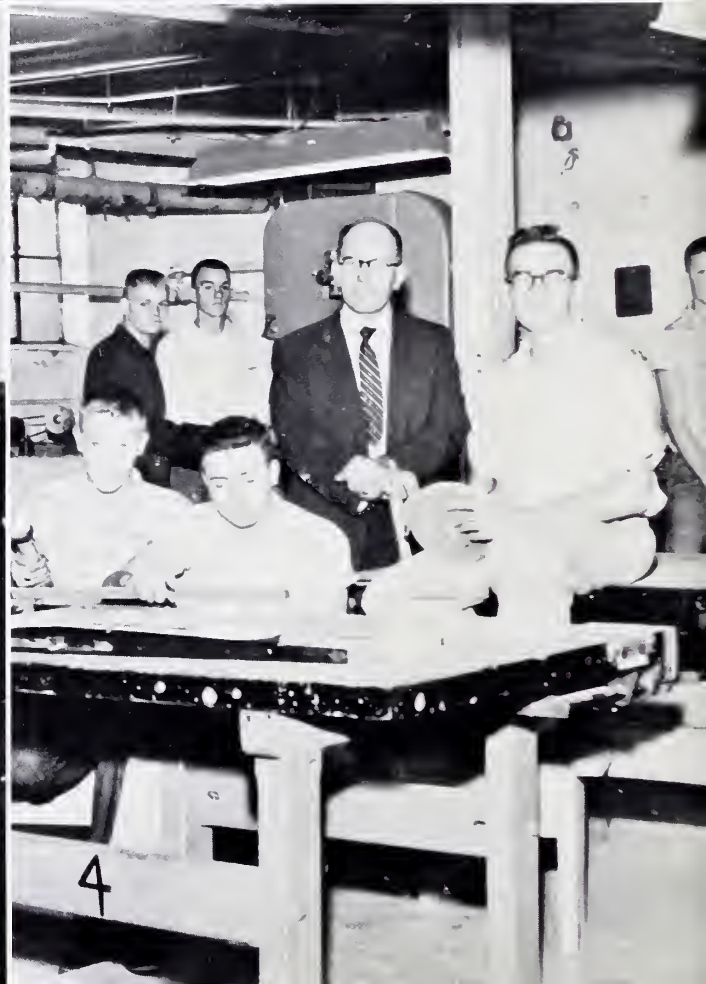


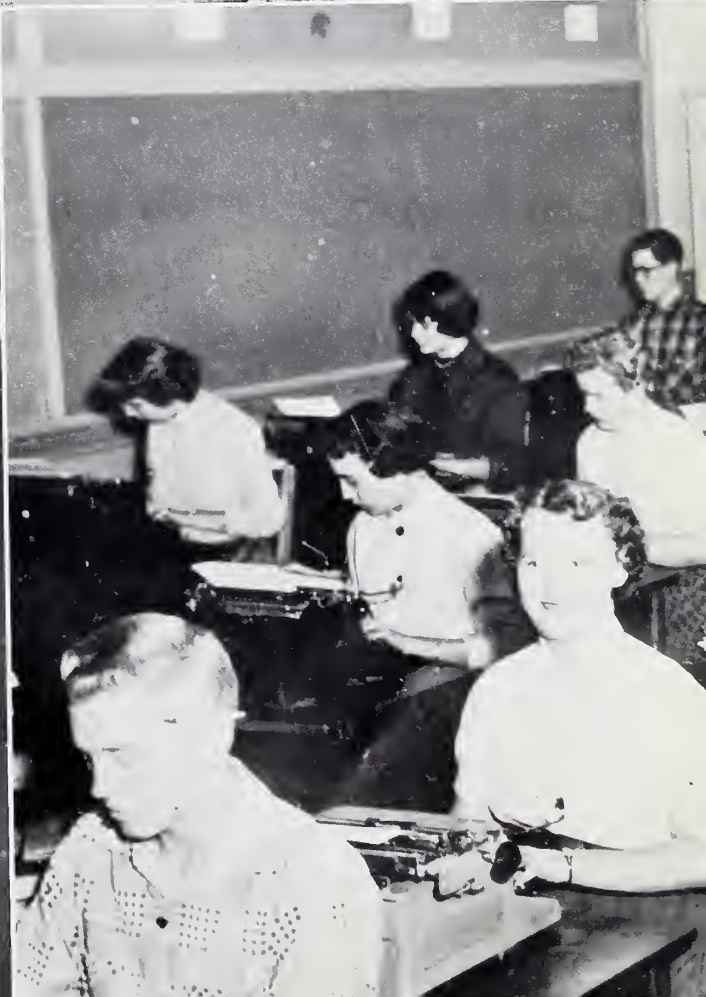
Dedication

Call him "Doc" and he laughs. Call him Doctor Nims, and he listens. To one whose sincere interest, helping hand, and endeavor to promote high ideals have added so much to the school, we, just for once, would like to say, "Thank you, Doctor Nims," and ask you to please accept from the Class of 1956 the dedication of this, our Cat's Tale.

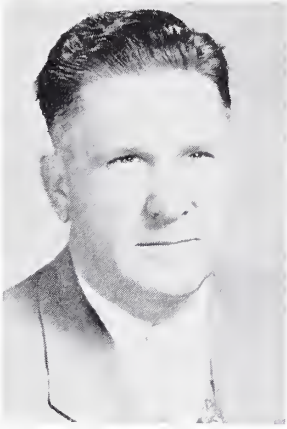


This Year





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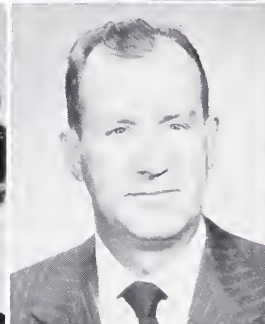
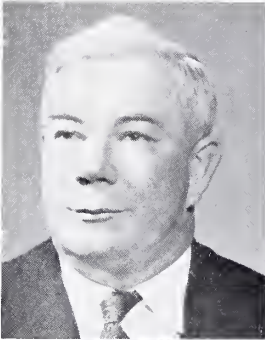


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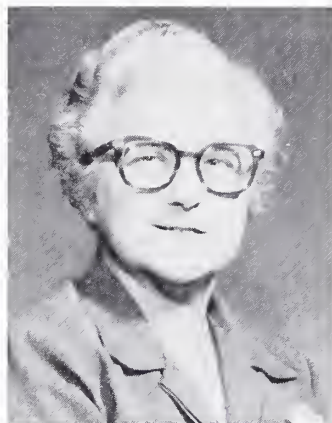


MARTHA WHITLOCK BRANCH
Secretary to the Principal



MARTHA NOGGLE
Secretary to the Superintendent

Faculty



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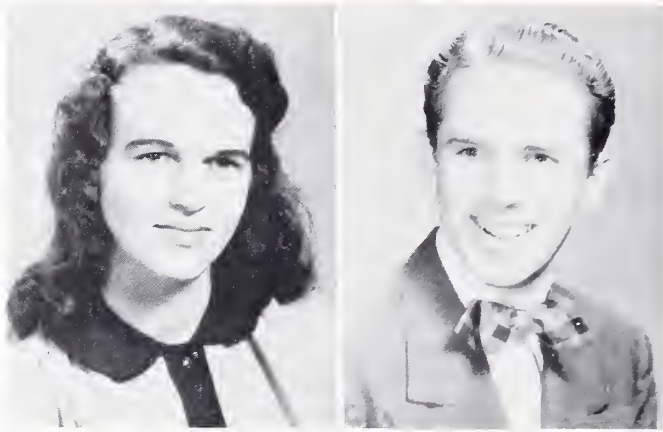
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M. T. COUSINS

Artist Diploma, Juilliard School of Music, Bandmasters Certificate, U.S. Army Music School, A Cappella Choir, Band.

HELEN L. WATSON

Dietitian



Maintenance

Molten Smith, Ione McKesson, John "Doc" Patterson, W. W. Greene.



Cafeteria Staff

Lucy Young, Annie Powell, Lula McGalliard.

Senior Officers



President Carl Ramsey
 Vice-President Bill Davis
 Secretary Elizabeth Peterson
 Treasurer Sarah Pons

Sometimes looking over our four years at M.H.S. we remember these isolated pictures of everyday things which take on significance only as we leave.

For instance we remember our freshman year when we were the babies of M.H.S. and the feeling of "belonging" after "Rat Day." We remember, too, those days as sophomores, looking forward to our junior year.

Juniors at last! We were determined to give a fabulous Junior-Senior Prom. We had charge of the concession stand at the football games to make the needed money. At last we unveiled the results of many long, laborious hours on our Parisian Prom.

We were on top—we were seniors. This year was most fun of all. We remember the Junior-Senior Prom given especially for us. We remember the help, guidance, and consideration given all of us by the faculty. Yes, many things of these four years are projected in our memories and they crowd together as we survey M.H.S. and as we, the Class of 1956 fondly bid you farewell.

BETSY RUTH BAILY

"Well-I-I" . . . shining blond hair . . . big Buick . . . fancy jewelry . . .

JACQUELYN ELIZABETH BAKER

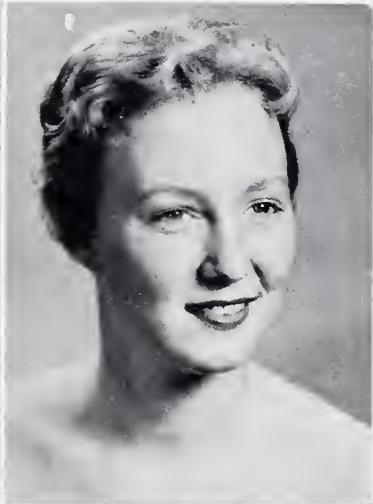
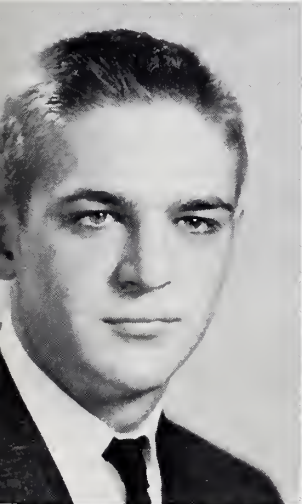
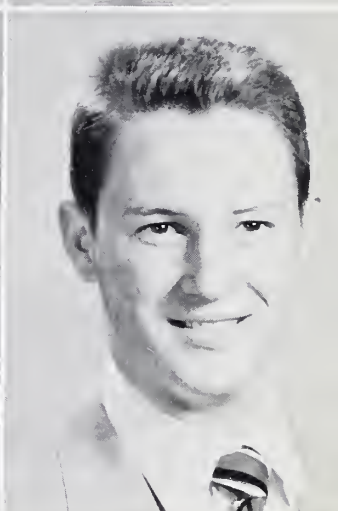
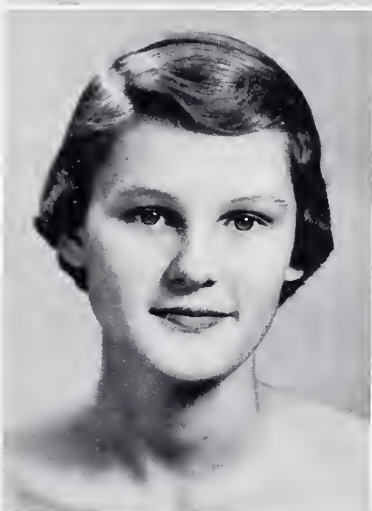
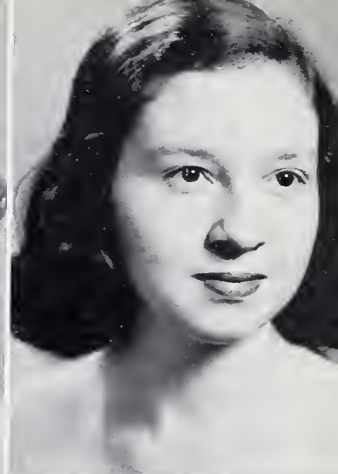
green eyes . . . Roses' employee . . . thoughtful . . . intelligence plus . . .

MARY LOUISE BAKER

one sweet gal . . . dark skin . . . soda jerk?? reserved . . .

DOUGLAS DEAN BARRIER

oh, those freckles!! a friend indeed . . . sees good in everyone . . .



RICHARD THOMAS BEACH

popcorn . . . nice-looking . . . teasing ad infinitum . . . talk, talk . . .

PATRICIA LYNN BOWMAN

strawberry blond . . . dreamer . . . French horn . . . Aurora, Ill. . .



MINNIE KATHRYN BRENDLE

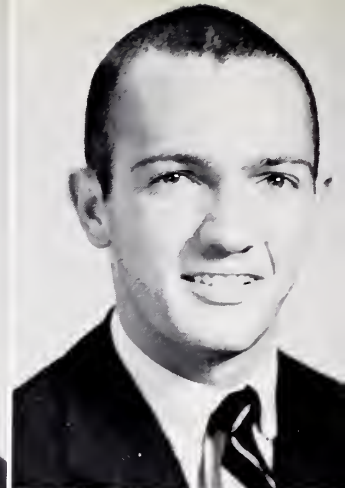
sweet . . . always willing . . . Math whiz . . . quiet . . .

KAY FRANCES BREITENBACH

Duke . . . "Seventeen" . . . Gene's . . . seldom serious . . .

WILLIAM RAY CANNON

Sarcastic?? "Be My Love" . . . tall, dark and handsome . . .
a friend . . .



JOHN HAMILTON CANTRELL JR.

"Veinhead" . . . "hillbilly heart" . . . finds life an exciting
business . . .

AGNES LUCILLE CARPENTER

curly hair . . . "I'm in Love With a Wonderful Guy" . . .
smart . . . friendly . . .



CELESTE ANETTE CARSWELL

quiet . . . short hair . . . ready smile . . . unaffected way . . .



MARY SUE CHESTER

petite . . . "Sweet Sue" . . . shining hair . . . always willing.

ROBERT THOMAS CLARK

"Tweetie-Bird" . . . "Don't Fence Me In" . . . "H-u-u-h??"
ambling walk . . .



JAMES THERREL CLEMMER JR.

Valdese . . . gregarious . . . hot-rod . . . go, go, go . . .

FRANCES ARNITA COFFEY

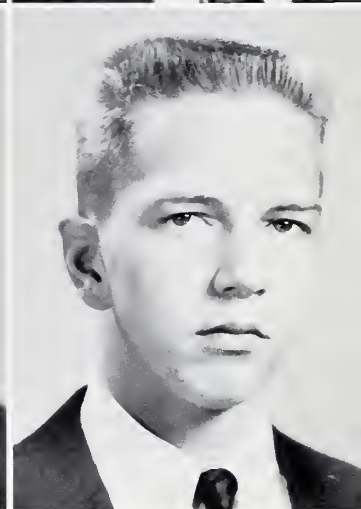
clothes . . . dimples . . . heart of gold . . . that Ipana smile
. . .

BARBARA GOLD CORNWELL
social butterfly . . . annuals . . . The Four Freshmen . . .
prompt??

JAMES CLARENCE CREW
"Poss" . . . "No Other Love" . . . brings honors to the blue
and white . . . determined . . .

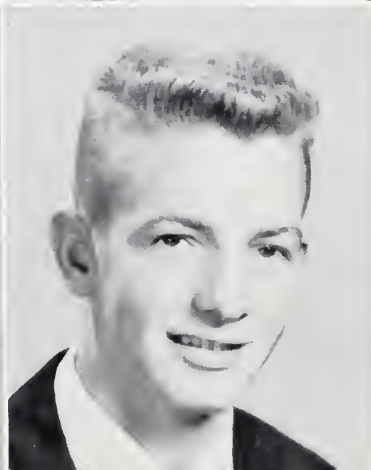
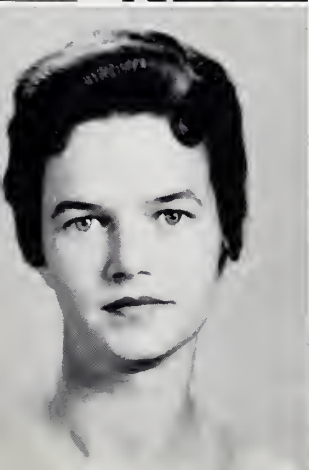
DONALD RAY DALE
"Delish" . . . night spots . . . honkey-tonk music . . . carefree
. . .

ROBERT DAL DALE JR.
"Chinchy" . . . "Maybelline" . . . "Mott" . . . hot-rod crazy
. . .



WILLIAM FINLEY DAVIS
so capable . . . sounds good, how does it taste?? ads. ugh!!
natural leader . . .

KAREN POORE DENTON
happily married . . . quiet . . . likeable . . . softest voice . . .

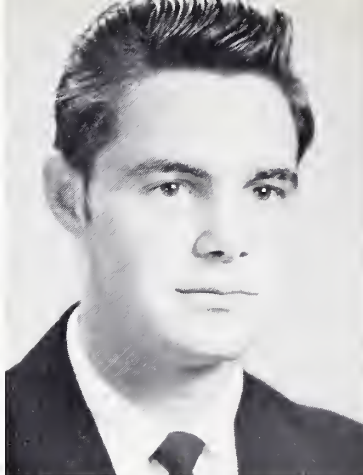


GWENDOLYN FAYE DEVINNEY
a living doll . . . "Five Foot Two" . . . flirt . . . chatterbox . . .

RUFUS RALPH DUCKWORTH
drawl . . . that muffler . . . crewcut . . . devilish . . .

KENNETH EDWARD EVANS

likeable . . . erudite?? Romeo . . . sideburns . . .



ROBERT DOUGLAS FARNER

"Ottie" . . . real gone cat . . . big time flirt . . . drums . . .

ZANE ALLEN GRAY

"So-Jo" . . . Glen Alpine . . . Mumbles?? great big hunk of man . . .



CAROLYN GAYLE HAMRICK

willing . . . soft-spoken . . . so nice to know . . . maidenly . . .

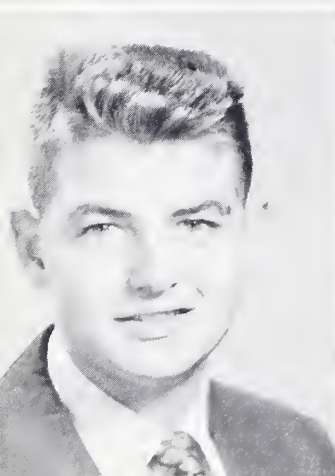


SALLY THOMAS HANEY

Pride and joy on the basketball court . . . librarian . . . Kay's pal . . .

ANN CLARA HARRINGTON

earrings . . . beautiful hair . . . soft, soft voice . . . artistically inclined . . .



EARL RICHARD HARRINGTON

"Lebo" . . . whiz at math . . . bus driver . . . carefree manner . . .

MARY LEE HATEM

that tan . . . crinolines . . . short 'n cute . . . friendly . . .

SHIRLEY LOU HAWKINS

future beautician . . . photogenic . . . Ronnie . . . chatter . . .

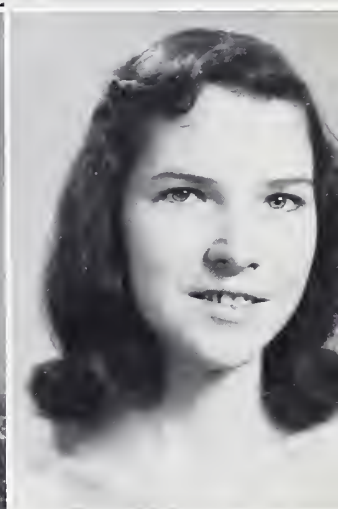


LINDA LOUISE JONES

"Leech" . . . classical music . . . body by Fisher . . . Montreat High . . .

HARRY MICKEY KINCAID JR.

"Blowbelly" . . . mortician . . . there's mischief in his eyes . . . everybody's friend . . .



MARY BELLE KINCAID

perfect lady . . . shy . . . flowers flowers, flowers . . .



MARY LOUISE LANE

"Lou" . . . goes steady . . . athletic . . . good sport . . .

RICHARD NEAL LANE

"Reah-chud-d" . . . "peroxide hair" . . . records galore . . . quiet . . .



CARSON ODES LEONHARDT

"Creepy" . . . mechanic . . . pitches a good ball . . . congenial . . .

DIXIE LEE LEWIS

chatter, chatter all through the day . . . J.C. . . . personality plus . . .

ANITA GAYLE LOFTIN

Wake Forest . . . "Beautiful, Beautiful Brown Eyes" . . .
loud?? gab . . .

CAROLYN LOVELACE

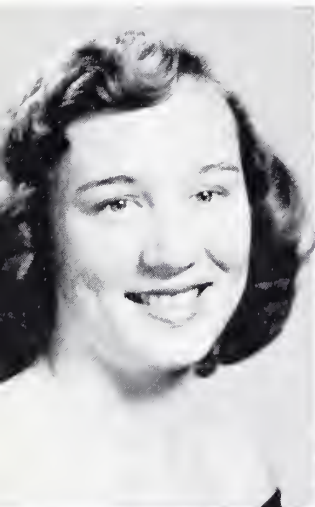
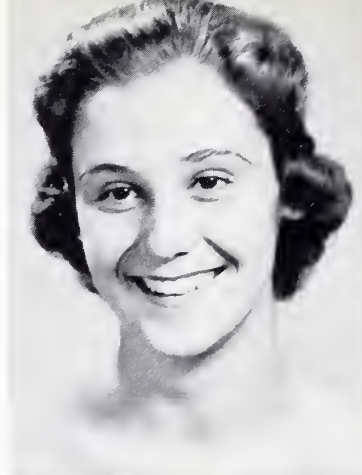
forever driving . . . talented domestically . . . Glen Alpine
. . . fun . . .

BENJAMIN NORRIS MARTIN

M.J.S. . . . "The Medic" . . . whiz on the dance floor . . .
cosmopolitan . . .

PATSY BELLE MARTIN

Pansy's twin . . . quiet 'n' sweet . . . so divinely tall . . .
patient . . .

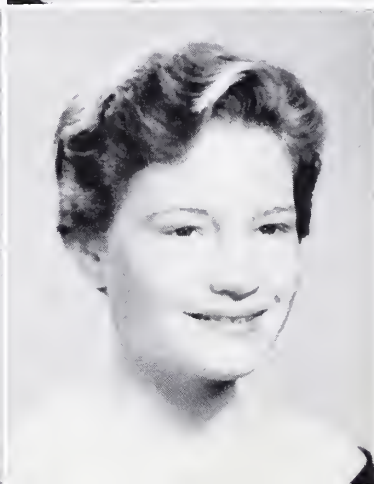


SHIRLEY YVONNE McGALLIARD

chief majorette . . . "Love 'em and Leave 'em" . . . long
tresses . . . boys, boys . . .

MARY ELIZABETH MEACHEM

V.E.S. . . . talent . . . Florida . . . lovely skin . . .



DEAN WILLIAM MIMS

curly black hair . . . energy??? ping pong pro . . . friendly . . .

MARY ELIZABETH MOORE

quiet . . . "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" . . . art lessons
. . . manners . . .

THELMA FAYE OAKS

flaming hair . . . flaming temper?? always singing . . . dates . . .

TROY MAE PARSON

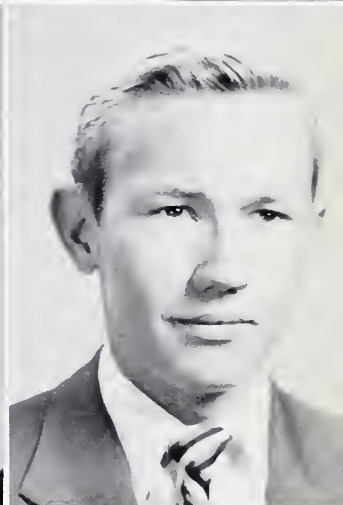
spirited . . . glossy hair . . . heart of gold . . . charm . . .

IRIS RACHEL PATTON

clarinetist . . . "Ain't She Sweet?" . . . Ray . . . friendly manner . . .

JOSEPH PITTS PATTON

golfer . . . "Undecided" . . . Uncle . . . another Patton pro??

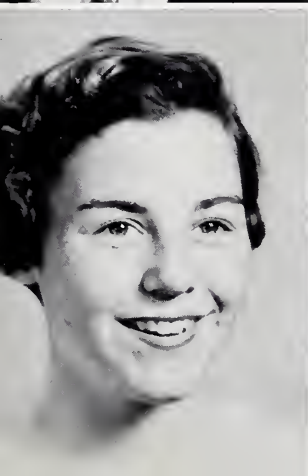


RICHARD BENTON PENDLETON

handsome . . . a friend indeed . . . natural . . . tease??

ELIZABETH RAY PETERSON

so dependable . . . Cauldron . . . brains, Inc. . . Camp Greer . . .



ANNE LESLIE PHILLIPS

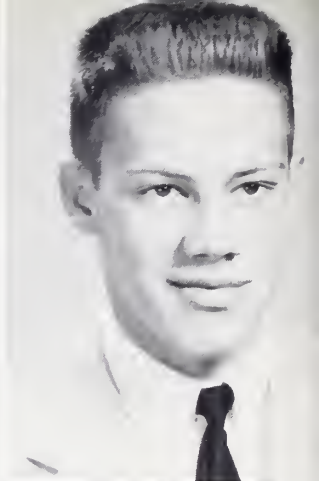
Wake Forest . . . cutely crazy . . . original . . . letters . . .

LORETTA POARCH

"Crunchy" . . . "Ridin' High" . . . carefree ways . . . fun . . .

SARAH LOUISE PONS

records . . . "Pretty Sara" . . . surrounded by music . . . fish . . .

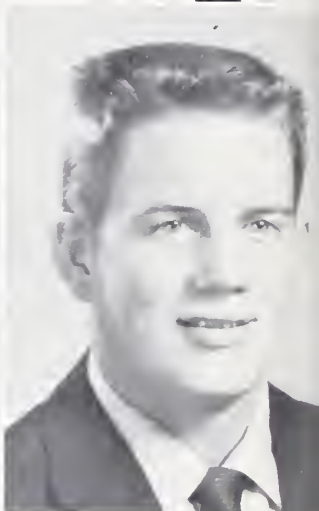


EDWARD LEE POTEAT

strong football player . . . man about town . . . that plaid upholstery!!

AUDREY LEE PROBST

doesn't miss much . . . "Baby Face" . . . questions questions . . . flighty . . .



CARL OTIS RAMSEY

tackle . . . "Ain't No Strings On Me" . . . speak to me in French . . .

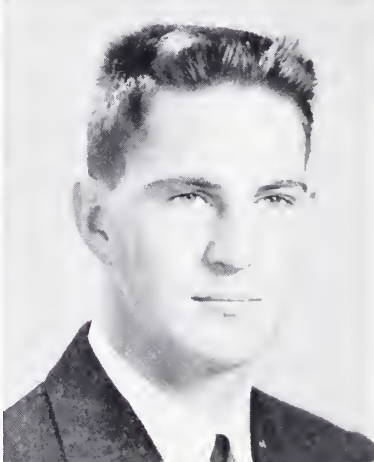


SAMUEL CHARLTON REEP

never a dull moment . . . "All In Fun" . . . "Dive for the oyster and dig for the clam!"

CHARLENE SUSAN SEAGLE

ladylike . . . heart of gold . . . good sport . . . quiet . . .



MARY MAXINE SEITZ

that walk . . . "Because of You" . . . wedding ring . . . little one . . .

KENNETH ROSCOE SIPE

clarinet . . . "Where is my Baby Tonight?" . . . likes the ladies . . .

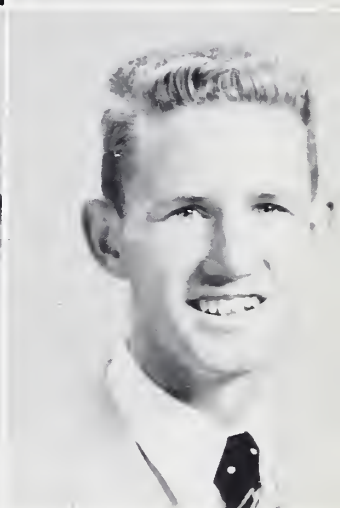
MARY EVELYN SLOAN

northern accent . . . "I'm Sitting on Top of the World" . . .
always on the go . . .



MILDRED JACQUELYN SMITH

big words . . . "There's Music in the Air" . . . clothes . . .
gracious . . .

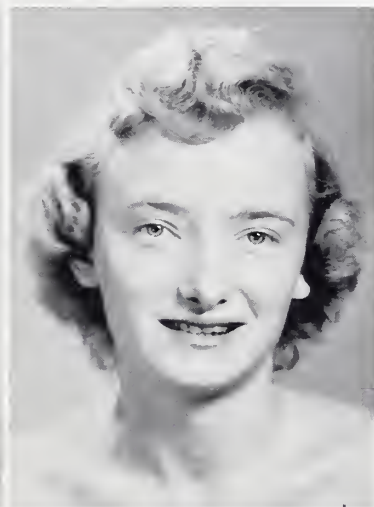
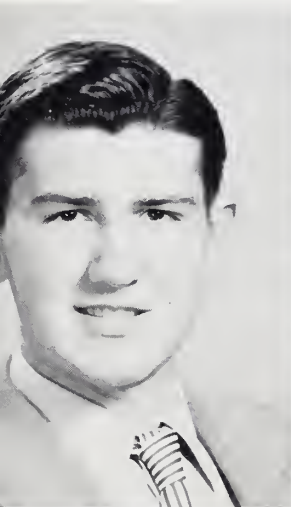


MINNIE MAXINE SMITH

"Well" . . . sweet . . . pint-sized . . . Enola . . .

ANDREW GENE SNIPES

"I ride the bus, Put" . . . always ready?? carefree . . . shy . . .



CHARLES LEE STAMEY

brawn . . . always teasing . . . A&P . . . amiable . . .

BETTY LANINGHAM STRAW

beautiful hair . . . "I'm in Love With a Wonderful Guy" . . .
happily married . . .



RONALD REX STROUD

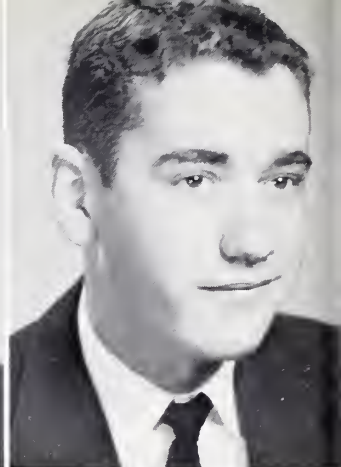
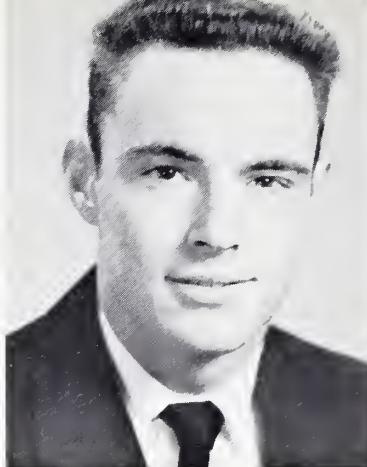
good looks . . . matter of fact . . . fun . . . big grin . . .

GLEN EDWARD WALKER

Salem . . . basketball ace . . . so very likeable . . . tall . . .

HAROLD THOMAS WALKER

full of fun . . . good natured . . . personality . . . handsome . . .

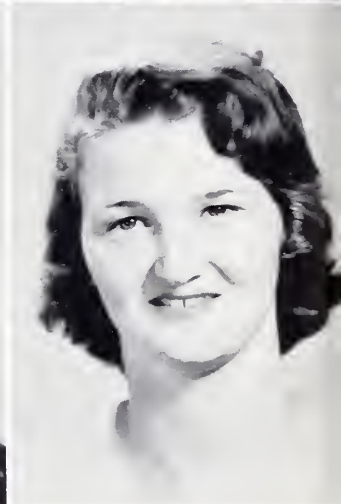
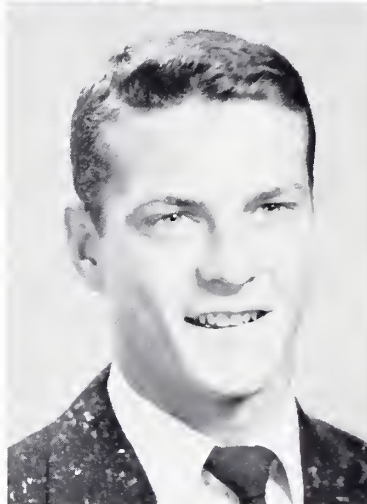


CHARLES WALKER WARD

"Gook" . . . "Where's my brother?" . . . crazy . . . limber . . .

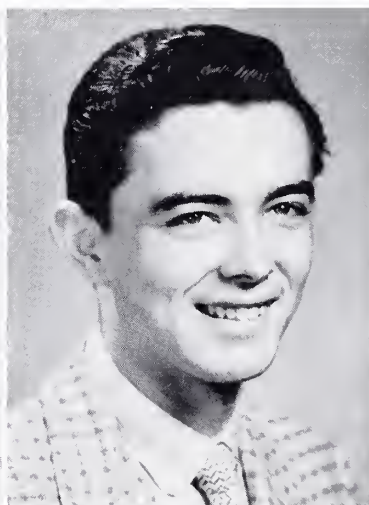
JAMES EDWARD DURHAM WHISNANT

"Whis" . . . a quiet man, quite a man . . . that Mercury . . . sing for us . . .



WILMA JUDITH WHISNANT

lovely hair . . . willowy . . . always laughing . . . natural . . .

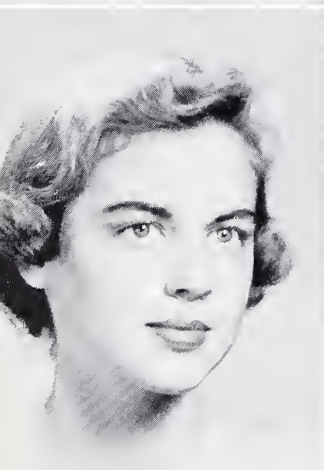


SHIRLEY MARIE WHITE

friendly manner . . . thoughtful . . . serene . . . easygoing . . .

JAMES JEROME WILLIAMS

good-natured . . . first love-music . . . diligent?? drum major . . .



PAULA JANETT WILLIAMS

State . . . "I'll See You in my Dreams" . . . giggles . . . "let's go, you all" . . .

SUSAN ADELE WILLIAMS

brainy . . . sweet as can be . . . patient . . . dreamer??

RAMA GRACE WILLIS

bundle of joy . . . wit . . . perpetual grin . . . curly, curly hair . .



ROBERT EARNEST WINTERS, JR.

friends galore . . . "Blue Skies" . . . carefree . . . mischievous??

NAOMI MAXINE WRIGHT

quiet charm . . . gracious . . . one sweet person . . . brains . .





Elizabeth Peterson, *Poet*

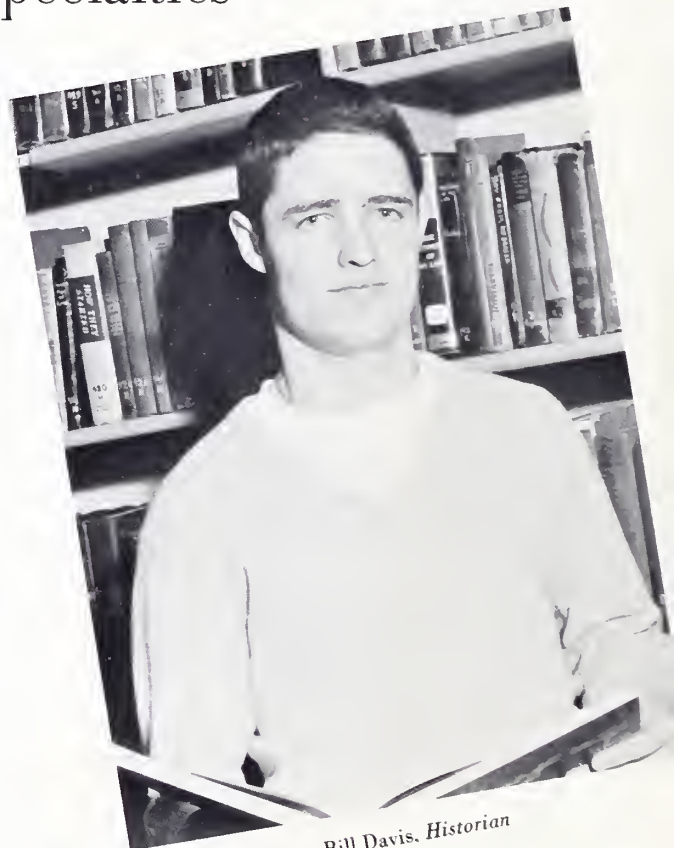


Leslie Phillips, *Prophet*

Senior Specialties



Sally Haney, *Testator*



Bill Davis, *Historian*



Helen Abernathy, *ASSISTANT CHIEF*; Gary Moretz, *CHIEF*;
Lisbeth Davis, Dickie Gibbs.

Marshals And Mascots



Helen Abernathy, Loretta Duckworth, Julia Fowler, Kay Nichols, Sarah Ann Boger, Alvin Dickens,
Gary Moretz, Larry Lowdermilk, Wayne Brittain, Danny Lingerfelt.



Retrospection

*Remember the year we were freshmen?
We were a scared and a happy crew.
We had initiation and won stunt night,
That showed 'em what we could do!*

*Remember the year of fifty three,
The laughter, the mischief, and tears?
We fully believed we were the best class
That the high school had had in years.*

*Remember our first junior-senior prom,
Where we danced in the streets of Paree?
Upperclassmen we had finally become
And our goal we began to see.*

*Remember our last days at Morganton High?
They were mixed with joy, relief, and fears
For that last night when we all would reach
The goal we had had for many years.*

*We have seen only part of the ladder
That winds its way to the sun.
Although we have reached a milestone,
Our task has only begun.*

*ELIZABETH PETERSON
Class Poet*



JUNIOR OFFICERS

President..... Gary Moretz
 Vice-President..... Danny Lingerfelt
 Secretary..... Kay Nichols
 Treasurer..... Carolyn Goodnight

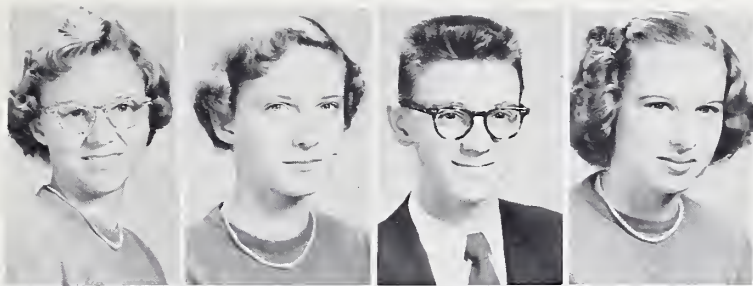
Scarlet Letter... Cline's... Rec. on Saturday night... "Sunny Side Up"... clubs... activities... raising money and finally Junior-Senior Prom. Sound familiar? Kiblers... goin' steady... those poor freshmen... got the car tonight? meet me in the hall... Typical?

Yes we're just Juniors and we've heard all of these. We've finished two years and have one more to look forward to.

As we work in the concession stand and labor to raise money for our main project, junior-senior, we look back on our first two years, and we look ahead into the coming year and years.

We're juniors, but proud.

Juniors



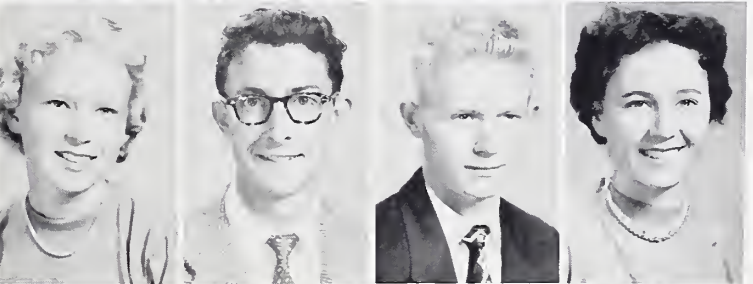
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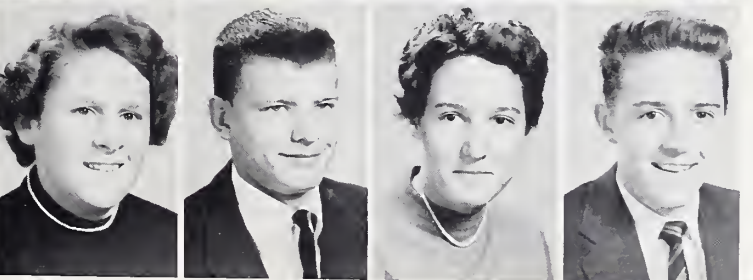
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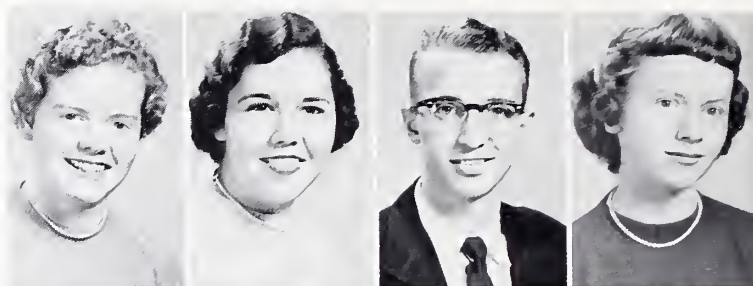


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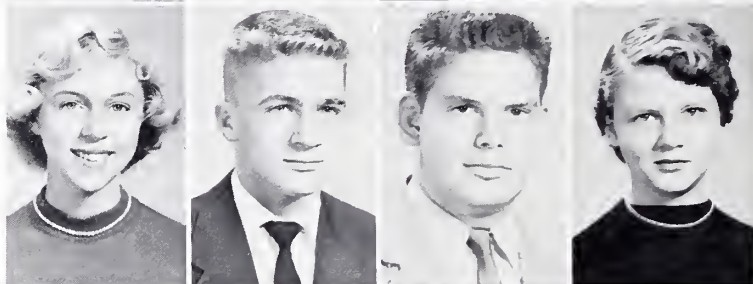


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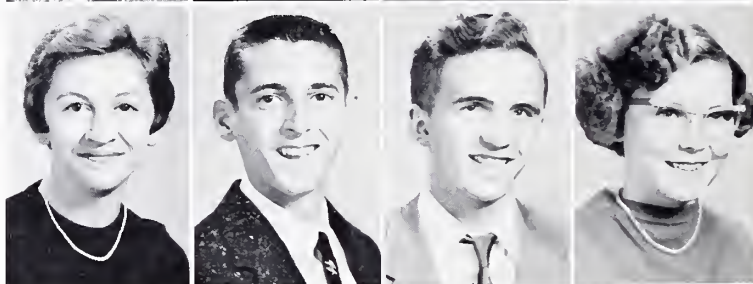
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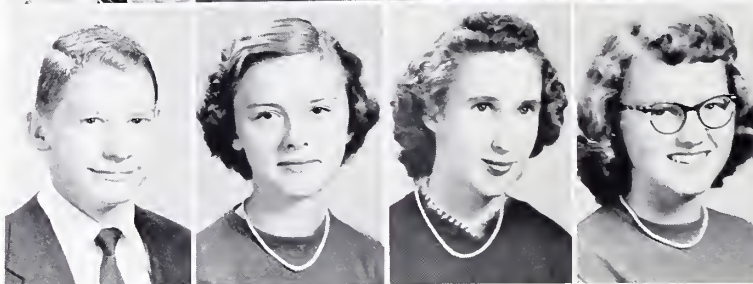
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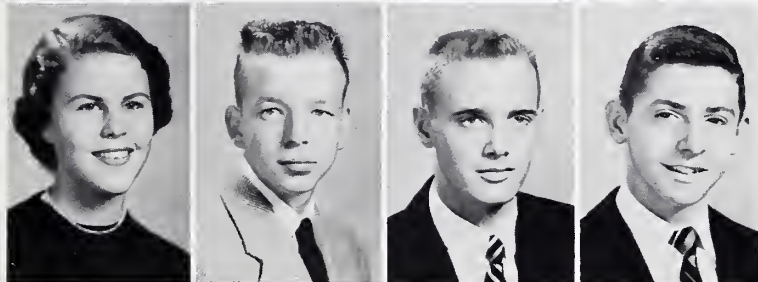


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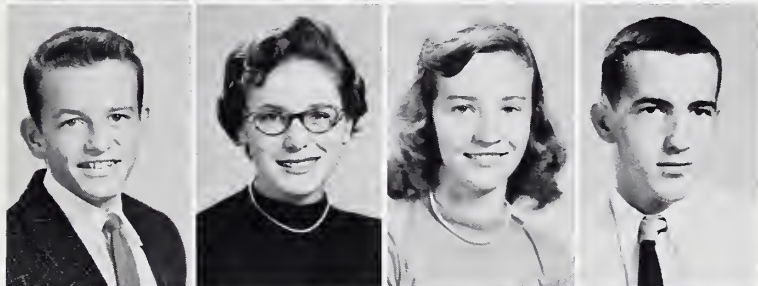




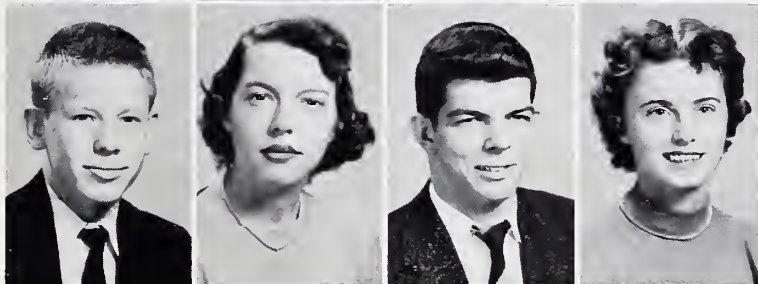
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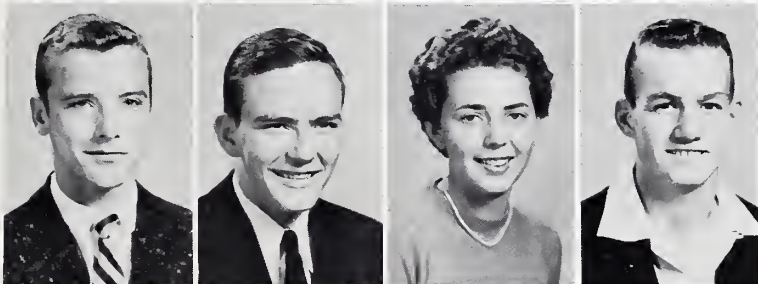
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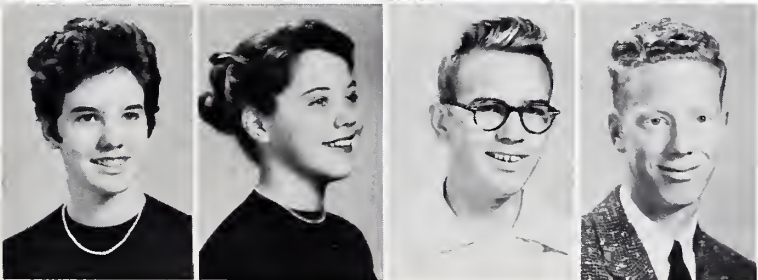
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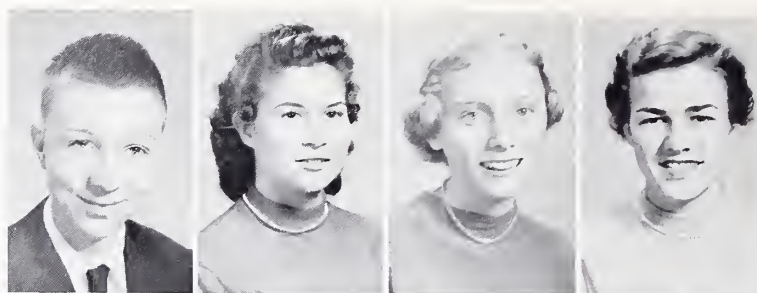


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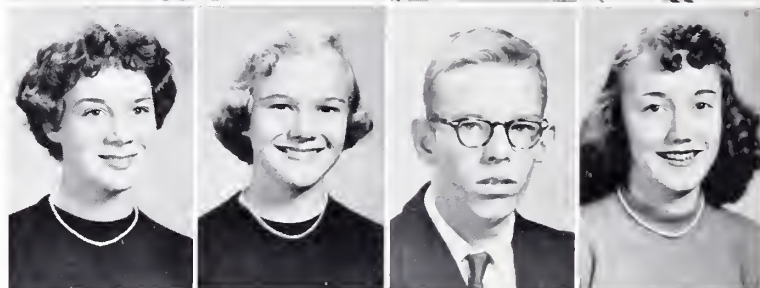
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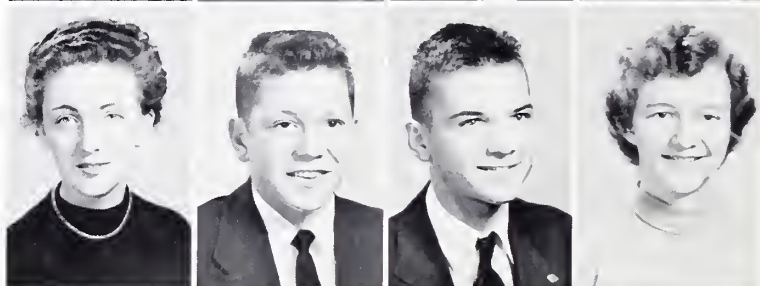
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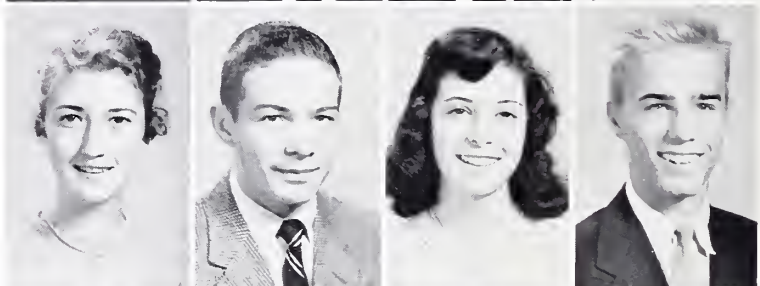
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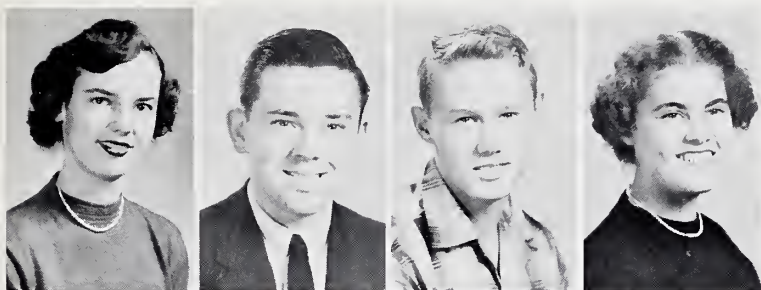


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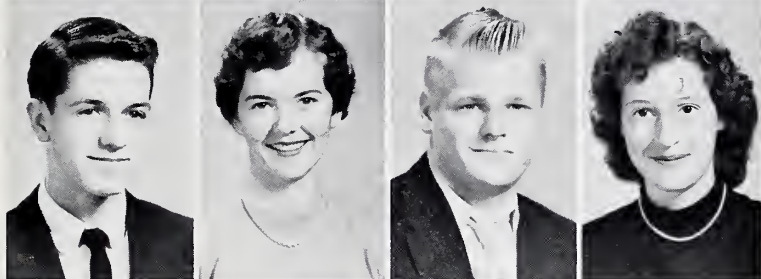


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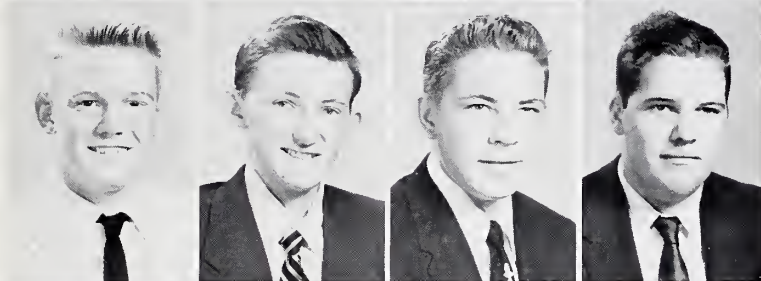




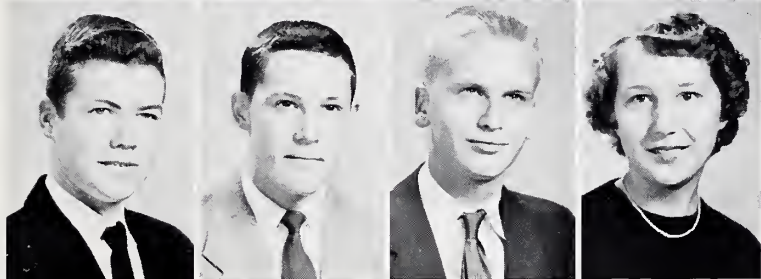
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TONY WINTZER

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At last, no longer freshmen! This means membership in the school clubs and the band or chorus and for many of us the first chance to drive the family car. As much as we'd like to skip them, English and biology are an ever important part of every sophomore's daily life. A discussion of bugs, snakes, and oral reports can always be heard in the halls. But school isn't all that's important, there are cokes at Cline's. Saturday night at the Rec., afternoons at Kiblers—all this is part of a wonderful year, our Sophomore year!

Sophomores



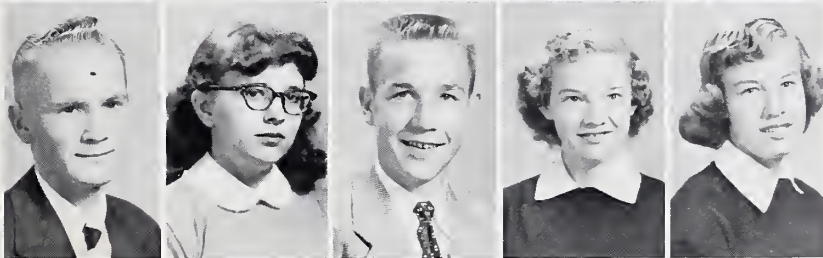
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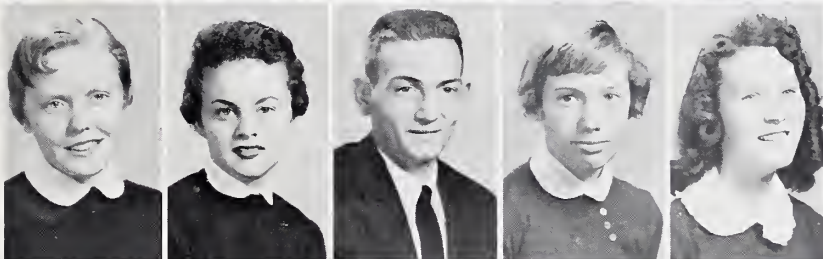
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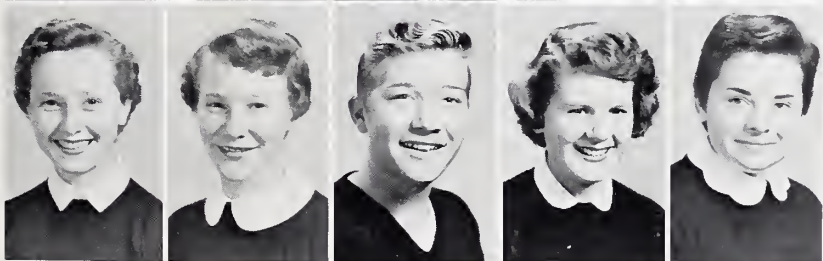
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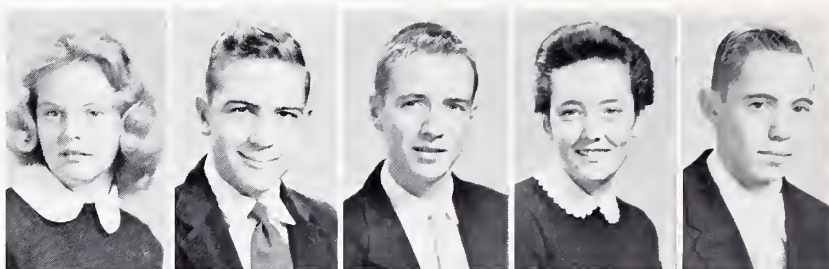


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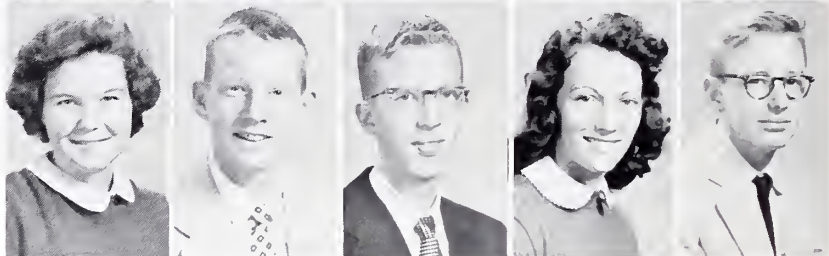


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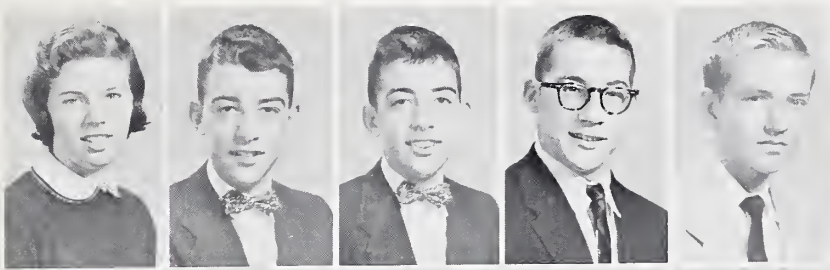


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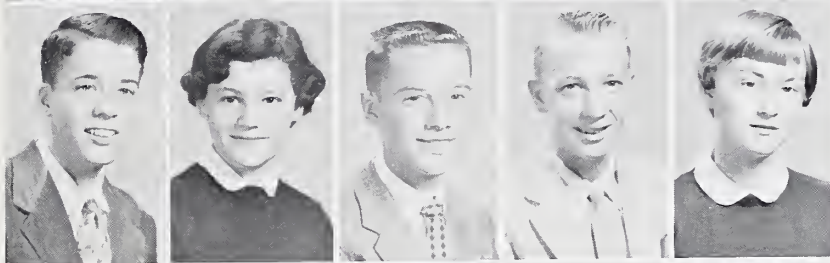


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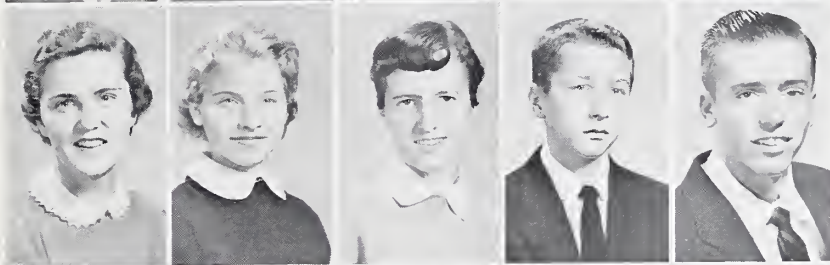




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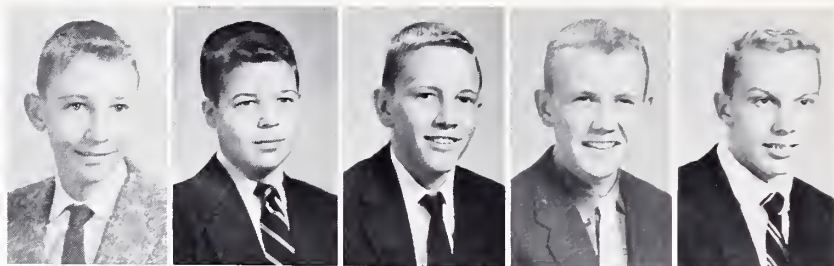


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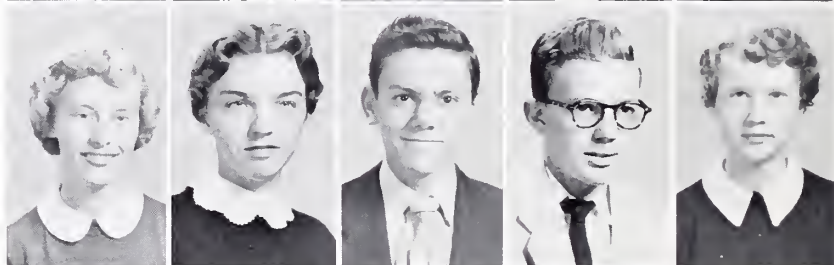
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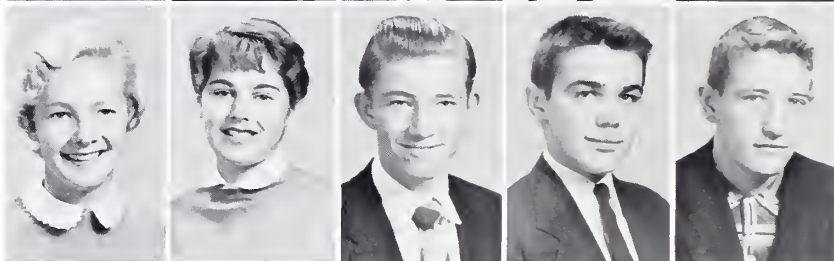
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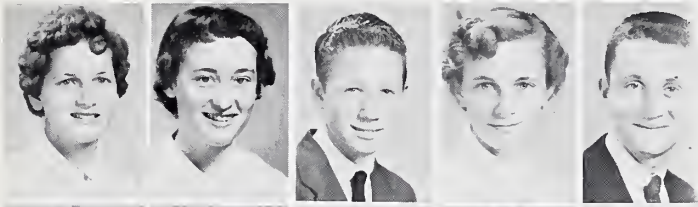
We have entered almost a new world full of strange faces and superior attitudes of upperclassmen. We have met a new challenge—to change classes both without getting lost or being tardy, and as time passes we are becoming pretty adept at it.

Calisthenics, tumbling, and Health have become a major part of our life—for, you see, we are taking Physical Ed.

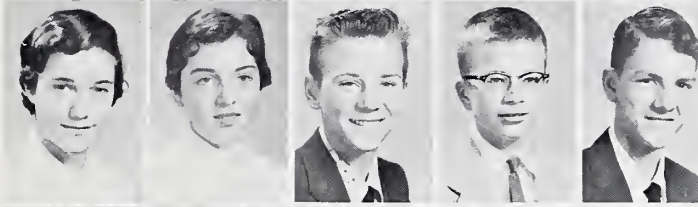
In English, for the first time, we are to tackle Shakespeare—to read one of his plays and comprehend it.

Although razzed to death, we are proud to admit that we are **FRESHMEN!**

Freshmen



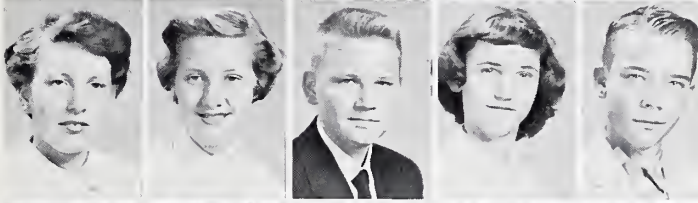
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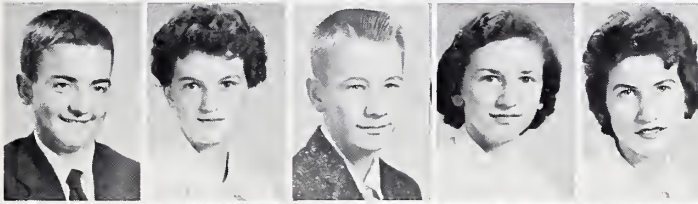
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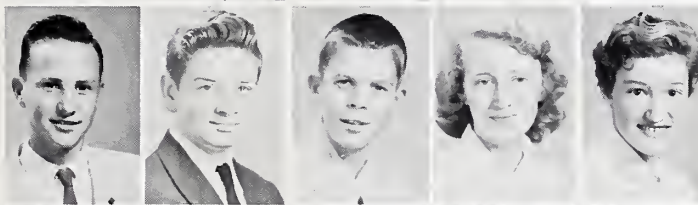
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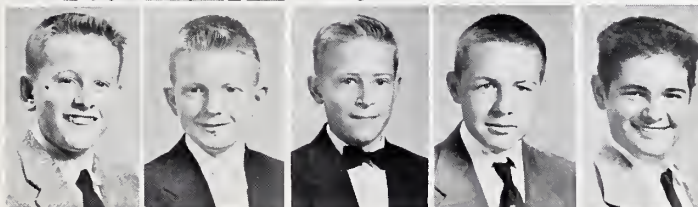
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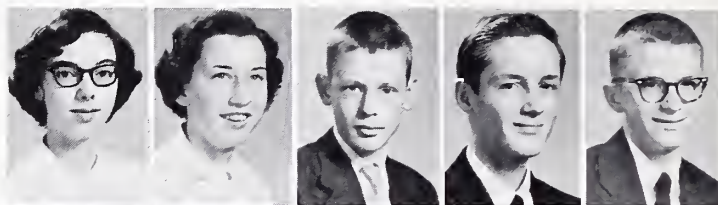


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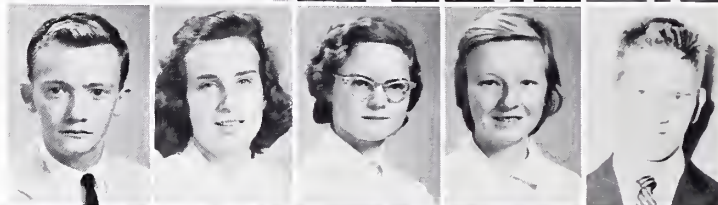


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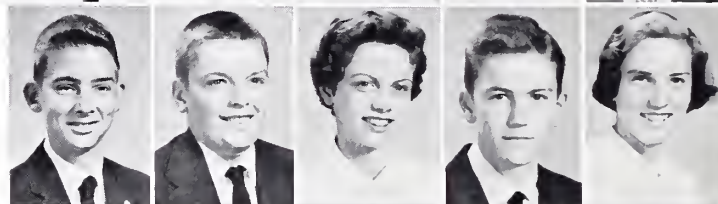
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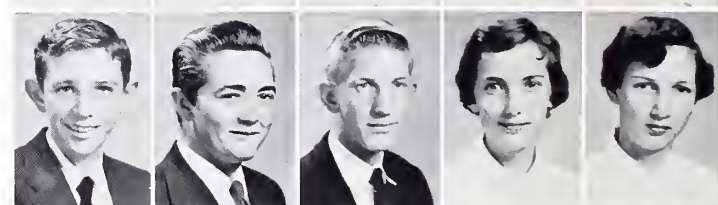
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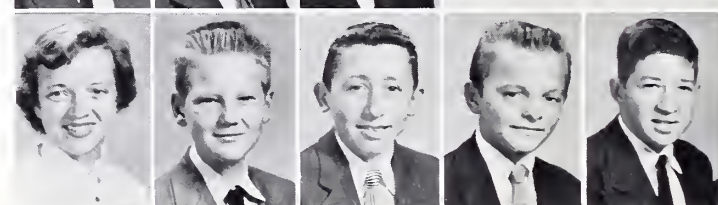
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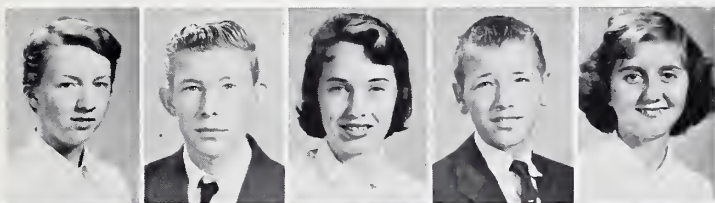


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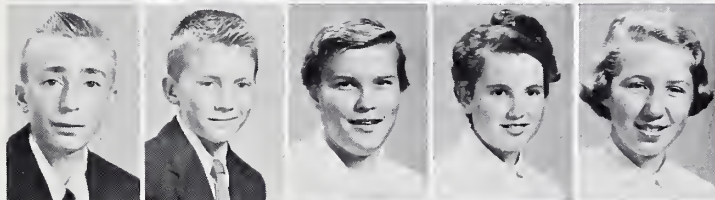


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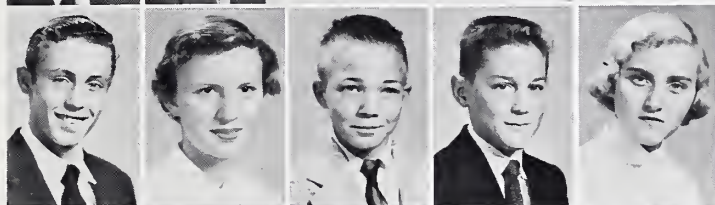




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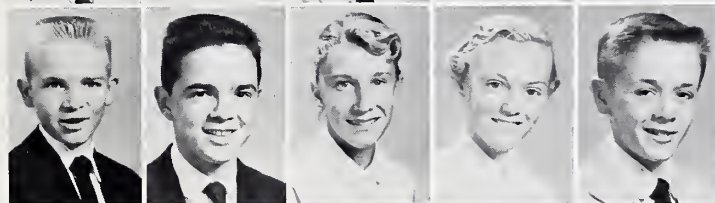
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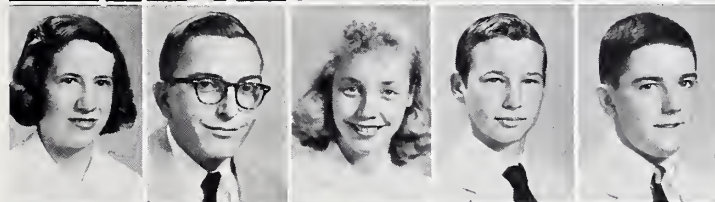
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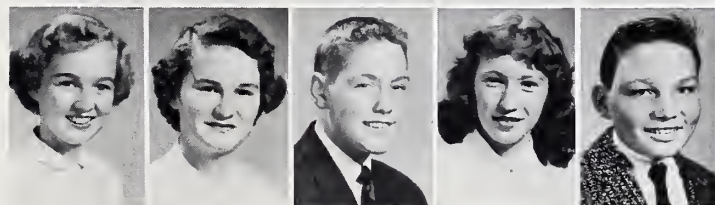
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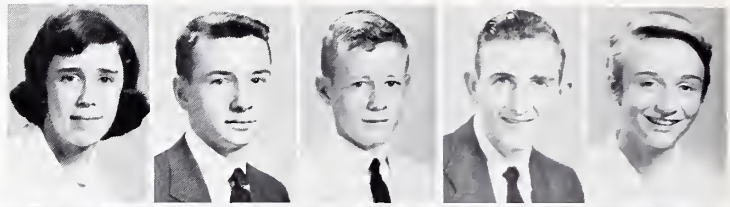


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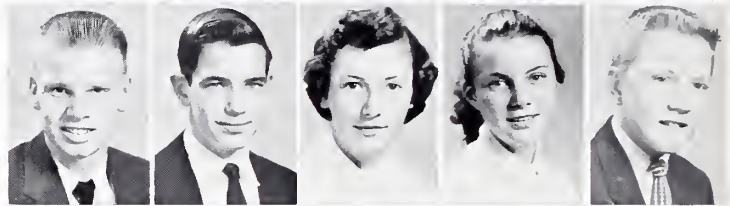
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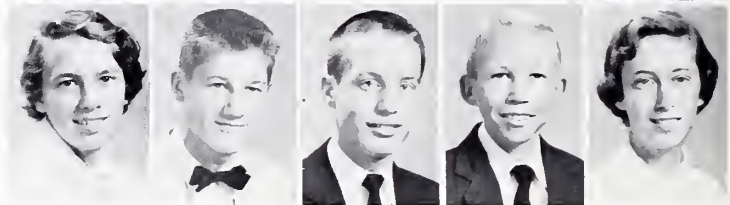
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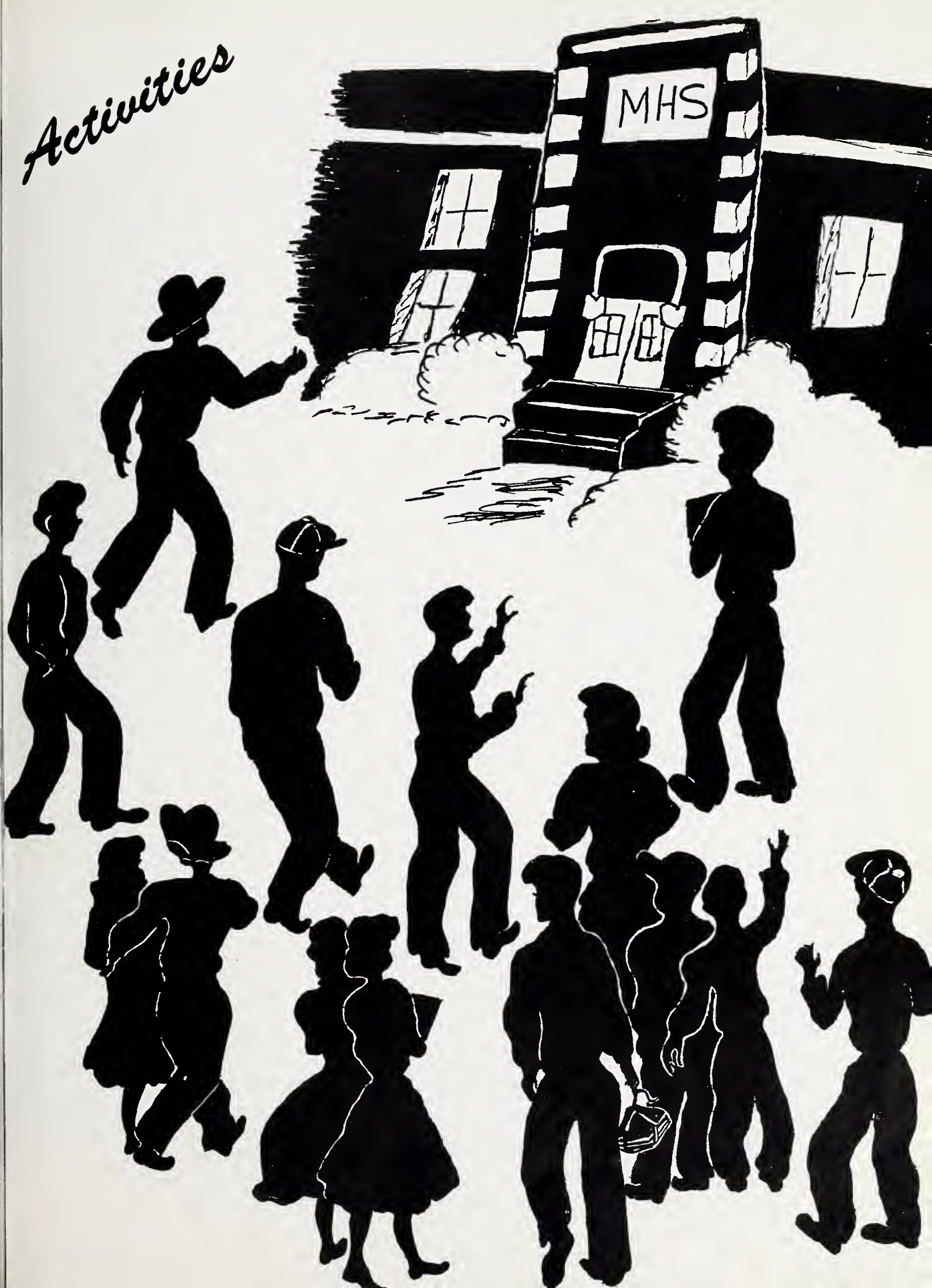
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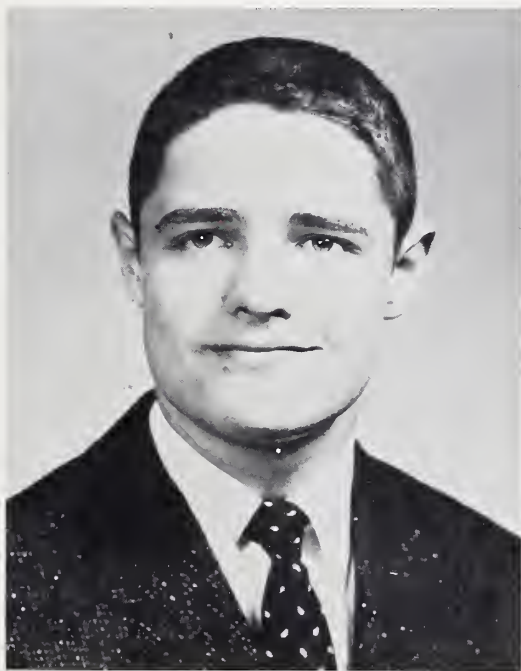


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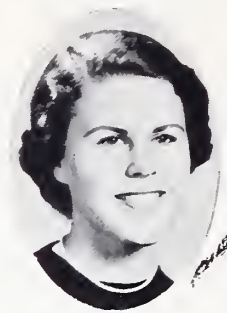
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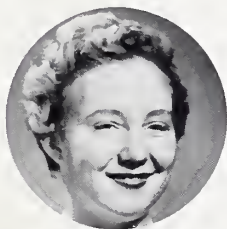
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Athletics





M.H.S. Wildcats

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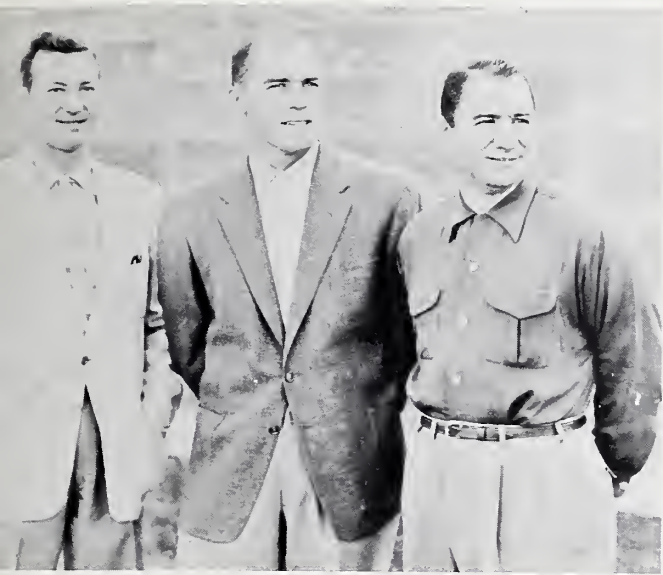
Johnny Markas
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Managers

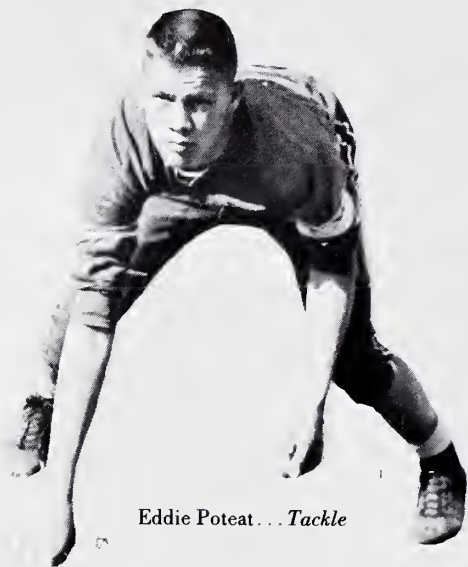
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Co-Captains

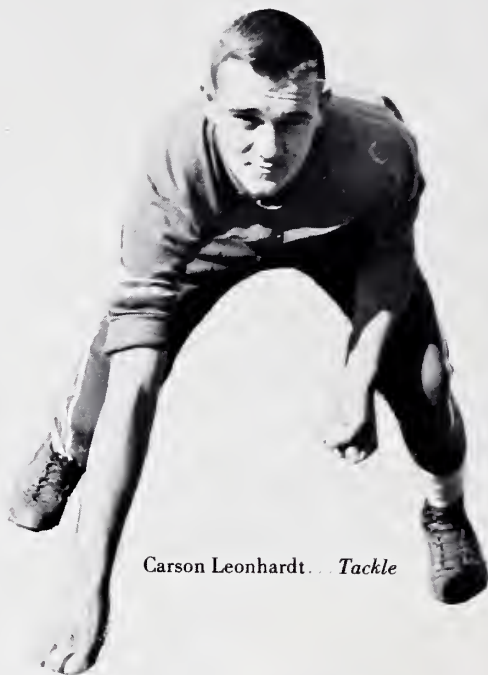
J.C. Crew, Johnny Cantrell, Carl Ramsey.



Senior



Eddie Poteat . . . *Tackle*



Carson Leonhardt . . . *Tackle*



Sam Reep . . . *Back*



J.C. Crew . . . *Back*

Players



Zane Gray . . . *End*



Johnny Cantrell . . . *Center*



James Whisnant . . . *End*



Carl Ramsey . . . *Tackle*

Football Summary

The Wildcats opened their 1955 season with a scoreless tie with Newton. They were inside Newton's 10 once, but couldn't score. Crew, Ramsey, Poteat, and Simmons were outstanding.

Morganton traveled to Hudson and beat them 13-7. Britain ran 42 yards for the first score. Ramsey blocked a point and Smith carried it over for the second score. Reep kicked the extra point. Whisnant and Gray were outstanding also.

Morganton played a great game in defeating Marion 7-0. Crew made the touchdown on a long run and Reep converted. Reep played a fine game at blocking back and Ramsey was the defensive standout. Poteat also played a fine game.

In a rain-soaked game, called at the half, Wilkes Central beat Morganton 24-0. The 'Cats seldom got the wet ball, and then they couldn't hold it. Morganton could hold in the middle, but end runs beat them.

Conference champions, Valdese, handed the 'Cats their second defeat, 20-0. Valdese was up for their homecoming game and the 'Cats couldn't get going. Ramsey played his usual fine game.

Morganton changed to the split-T for the Hickory

game, but they were beaten 20-7. Reep and Jaynes were equally good at quarterback. Whisnant made some fine catches. Fumbles in the last quarter hurt Morganton.

Morganton's split-T took shape as they beat Taylorsville 13-7. Crew scored after Reep executed an excellent fake. Jaynes kicked the extra point. Crew scored the second touchdown in the third quarter. Whisnant played an outstanding game.

For their homecoming game, Morganton beat Belmont 18-6. Reep scored on a quarterback sneak and Crew scored twice, once on a 42 yard sprint. David Puett played his best defensive game, despite a bad knee.

The Wildcats lost 19-13 at Lenoir. Mistakes marred the game for Morganton. Simmons scored once and Reep passed to Brittain for the other score. The game was close and could have gone either way.

For their final game, Morganton beat Shelby at their homecoming game 7-0. They outplayed Shelby all the way, but were able to score only once. Crew ran 95 yards for Morganton's score behind several key blocks. Ramsey, Puett, Whisnant, and Marcus played outstanding defensive games.





Boys' Basketball

Bucky Smith, Oval Jaynes, Charles Newton, Buddy Peterson, Frank Kelly, MANAGER; Zane Gray, Bill Booth, Alec Grady, Glenn Walker, Al Dickens, Barry Long, MANAGER.



Zane Gray



David E. Broome, *Coach*



Oval Jaynes



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Bill Booth



Alec Grady



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Millie Benfield



Sarah Ann Wallace



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Dixie Lewis



Barbara Cornwell



Paula Williams



Elaine Falls



Linda Rhodes



Baseball Team

FIRST ROW: Buddy Peterson, Bucky Smith, Ambrose Barry, Oval Jaynes, Jimmy Yount, Ray Whetstine, Dale Lybrand, Bobby Bristol. *SECOND ROW:* Larry Scott, Wayne Brittain, Carson

Leonhardt, Zane Grey, Ray Cannon, Johnny Cantrell, Carl Ramsey, James Whisnant. *THIRD ROW:* Mr. McFaddan, COACH: Charles Newton.



Softball Team

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Track Team

FIRST ROW: J. C. Crew, Eddie Poteat, Sam Reep, Robert Dale, Bill Davis, George McCarter, Jimmy Conley. *SECOND ROW:* Ellis Spake, Ervin Simmons, Larry Fleming, Gary Moretz, Alvin

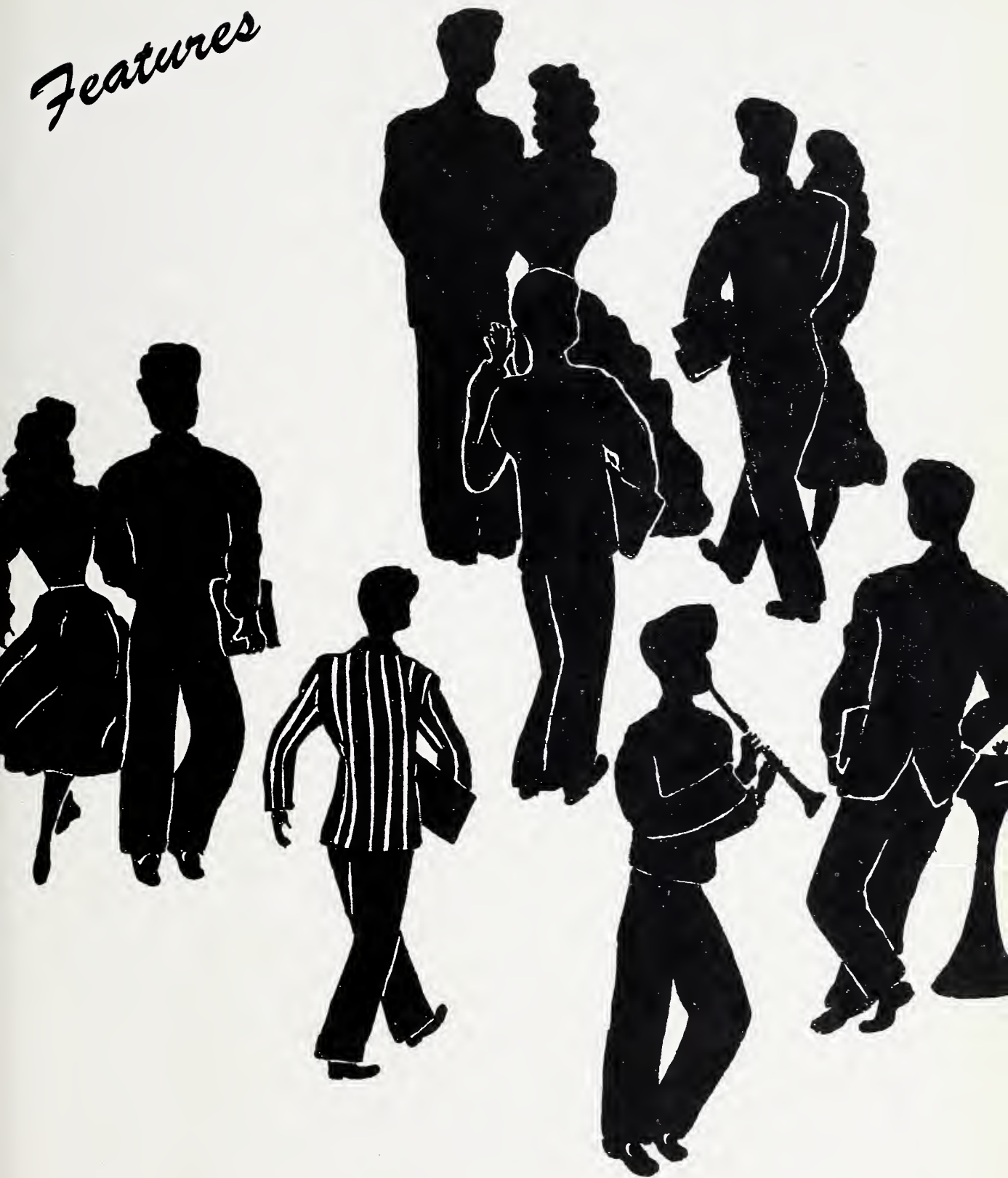
Dickens, Ikie Royal, Jackie Beach, Dick Wilson. *THIRD ROW:* Larry Lowdermilk, Jimmy Willets, Claude Pittman, Bill Booth, David Puett, Johnny Markas, Charles Halliburton.



Golf Team

Joe Patton, Jerry McMahan, Lee Riddle, David Epley, Billy Arney.

Features



Senior Superlatives

So this is where you get it! Leslie Phillips and Mickey Kincaid were rightfully chosen "The Wittiest" in the senior class.

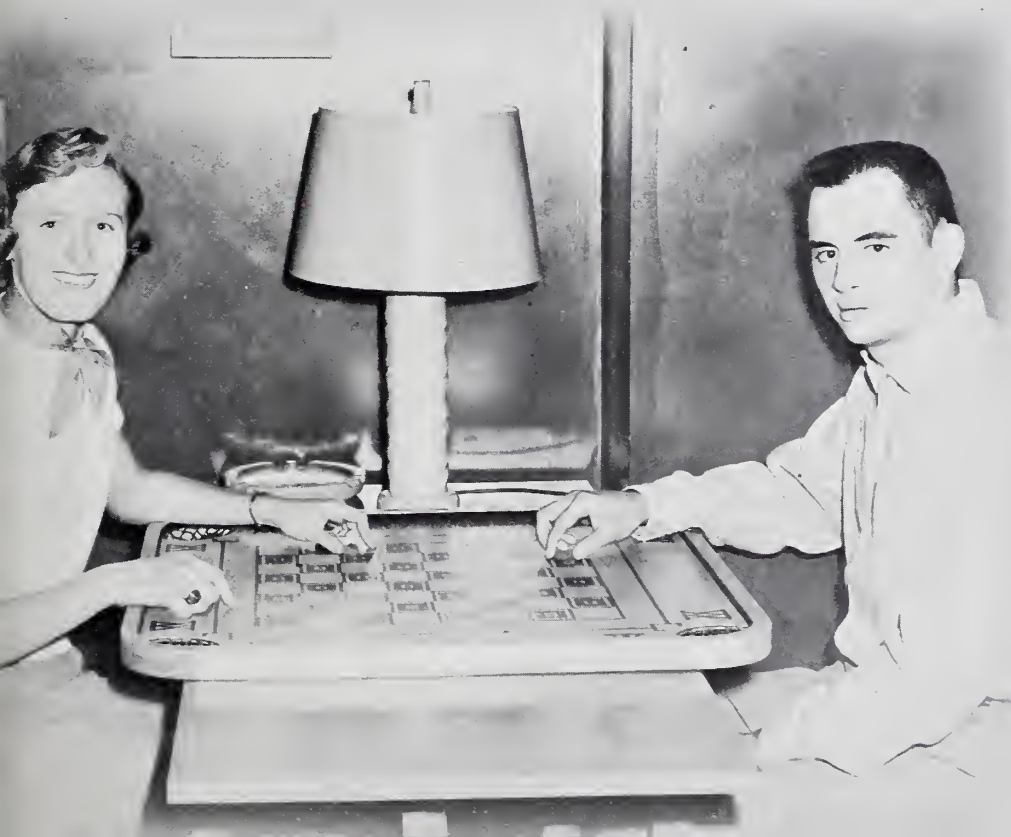


Everyone will agree that Joe Patton and Troy Parson have earned the title of "Most Deserving."



Senior Superlatives

Jimmy Clemmer and Paula Williams are caught in a very typical pose showing their friendliness.



Demonstrating their athletic ability at its height (??) are J. C. Crew and Sally Haney, "Most Athletic".

Senior Superlatives



Mary Baker and Zane Gray, "Most Versatile," are shown discussing the mechanics of an engine.

Is there nothing talent can't do? Jacquelyn Smith and Jimmie Williams, "Most Talented," demonstrate this.



Senior Superlatives

Barbara Cornwell and Carl Ramsey, the senior class' most popular two would most assuredly be welcome in any home.



Have you made the headlines already? Maxine Wright and Bill Davis, "Most Likely to Succeed", scan the news.

Senior Superlatives

Certainly they are the most valuable, and here they are to prove it to you. Elizabeth Peterson and Johnny Cantrell, "Most Valuable" in the senior class.



"Most Intellectual", Elizabeth Moore and Sam Reep prove their worth in a typical (??) scene.



Senior Superlatives

That really isn't necessary, is it, Mary Lee? Mary Lee Hatem and James Whisnant are the senior class' neatest couple.



Going to a dance? If so, you will be the most attractive couple there. Gayle Loftin and Ray Cannon were voted "Best Looking" by the senior class.

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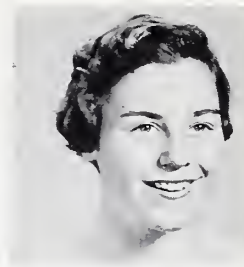
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Miss Latin Club



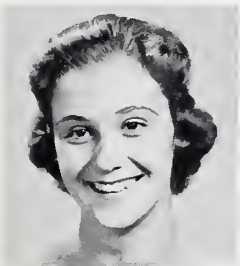
Kay Brientenbach
Miss Anchor Club



Jakie Smith
Miss Cat's Tale



Leslie Phillips
Miss Cauldron



Gayle Loftin
Miss Key Club



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Miss Honor Society



Jonnie Pons
Miss Varsity "M" Club



Betsy Bailey
Miss Tri-Hi-Y



Mary Baker
Miss Girls "M" Club

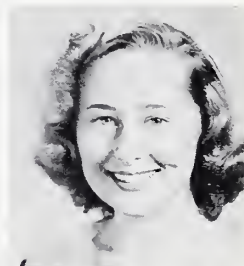
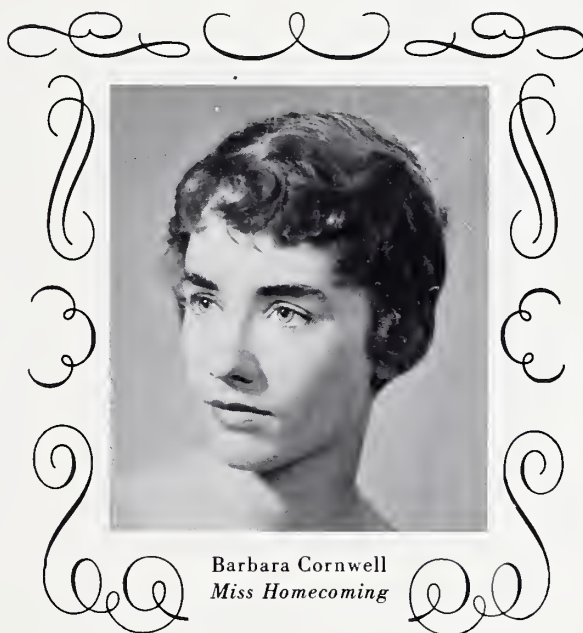


Sue Chester
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 Gwen McVining
 Ray Cannon
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 Jimmie
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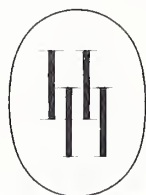
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